control; risk analysis and Monte-Carlo simulation; systems simulation modeling and analysis; selection models and decision analysis; optimization modeling; and solving and analyzing optimization models.

For those employed in the fields of quality control, management science, operations management, statistical science, and those who need to interpret data to make informed business decisions.

Handbook of Statistical Analysis and Data Mining Applications

Robert Nisbet 2017-11-09 Handbook of Statistical Analysis and Data Mining Applications, Second Edition, is a comprehensive professional reference book that guides business analysts, scientists, engineers and researchers, both academic and industrial, through all stages of data analysis, model building and implementation. The handbook helps users discern technical and business problems, understand the strengths and weaknesses of modern data mining algorithms and employ the right statistical methods for practical application. This book is an ideal reference for users who want to address massive and complex datasets with novel statistical approaches and be able to objectively evaluate analyses and solutions. It has clear, intuitive explanations of the principles and tools for solving problems using modern analytic techniques and discusses their application to real problems in ways accessible and beneficial to practitioners across several areas—from science and engineering, to medicine, academia and commerce. Includes input by practitioners for practitioners it includes tutorials in numerous fields of study that provide step-by-step instruction on how to use supplied tools to build models. Contains practical advice from successful real-world implementations brings together, in a single resource, all the information a beginner needs to understand the tools and issues in data mining to build successful data mining solutions. Features clear, intuitive explanations of novel analytical tools and techniques, and their practical applications.

Spreadsheet Modeling and Decision Analysis

Cliff T. Ragsdale 2003 Profiles in Operations Research: Pioneers and Innovators recounts the development of the field of Operations Research (OR), the science of decision making. The book traces the development of OR from its military origins to a mature discipline that is recognized worldwide for its contributions to managerial planning and complex global operations. Over the past six decades, OR analysts have impacted our daily lives: when making an airline or hotel reservation, standing in line at a bank, getting the correctly blended fuel at the gas station, and ensuring that the book you are holding arrived at its destination on time. OR originated in the late 1930s when British scientists from various disciplines joined Royal Air Force officers to determine the most effective way to employ new radar technology for intercepting enemy aircraft. During World War II, similar applied research groups were formed to study, test, and evaluate military operations on both sides of the Atlantic. Their work resulted in great improvements—OR helped the Allies win the war. The scientific field that emerged from these studies was called operational research in the U.K. and operations research in the U.S. Today, OR provides a broad and powerful science to aid decision making. Profiles describes the lives and contributions of OR pioneers and innovators and relates how these individuals, with varying backgrounds and diverse interests, were drawn to the nascent field of OR. The profiles also describe how OR techniques and applications expanded considerably beyond the military context to find new domains in business and industry. In addition to their scientific contributions, these profiles capture the life stories of the individuals—interwoven with personal tales, vivid vignettes, family backgrounds, and views of the mission and future of OR. Collectively, the profiles recount the fascinating story of the growth and development of a field enriched by the convergence of different disciplines. The Editors: Arjang A. Assad is Dean of the School of Management, University at Buffalo, State University of New York. Saul I. Gass is Professor Emeritus, Department of Decision, Operations & Information Technologies, Smith School of Business, University of Maryland, College Park. The Editors thank Nigel Cummings, U.K. OR Society’s e-journal, Inside OR., Sept 2011. "I can thoroughly recommend this book. I found it both enlightening and undeniably gripping, so much so in fact, you may find it difficult to put it down once you have commenced reading it. If you have a renewed interest in operations research, a great read for you." For a list of all known typos, plus further discussion on the book, please visit http://profilesinoperationsresearch.com.